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County Executive

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L. Mark Winston Transit Task Force Chair 5301 Wisconsin Avenue Suite 740 Washington, DC 20015

Dear Mr. Winston

Thank you for your letter concerning the progress of the Montgomery County Transit Task Force. The creation of a countywide rapid transit system is a key step towards achieving the County's strategic goals of caring for the environment, providing attractive transit offerings for all residents, and promoting sustainable economic development. I am pleased with the Task Force's work so far to make this system a reality. I concur with the Task Force's recommended amendments to the Master Plan of Highways, and I have informed Francoise Carrier, Chair of the Planning Board, of my support for them.

The implementation analysis that the Task Force plans to complete appears to be comprehensive and appropriate, and I look forward to seeing the final product. By providing information on the elements of the system and the financial and logistical realities of building it, this analysis will give the County a clearer picture of how to proceed with the project.

Please express my sincere gratitude to the members of the Task Force for their work on behalf of the County and its residents. Let my office know how it might further assist the vital work of the Task Force.

Sincerely

Isiah Leggett County Executive